## **Grease Management**

- Clean grease traps at least once a week.
- Do not pour grease into trash bins, street gutters, storm drains, or sewers. Grease can clog storm drains and is *ILLEGAL*!

## **Inform your Employees!**

- Hold staff meetings to discuss the importance of pollution prevention.
- \* Clearly label areas where mat washing is and *IS NOT* permitted.
- Clearly label areas where wash water may not be dumped.
- Post reminders near dumpsters that remind employees to keep liquid waste out of dumpsters.
- \* Train employees in use of spill clean up materials.



### **Important Phone Numbers**

### **Emergency 911**

Non-Emergency Bluffton Dispatch 757-3499

Dispatch Main Number 524-2777

South Carolina DHEC (803) 898-DHEC

Environmental Protection Agency 1-800-241-1754

## Town of Bluffton Departments 20 Bridge Street

| Town Hall Main Number   | 706-4500 |
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| Storm Water Management  | 706-7805 |
| Environmental Sustainability  | 706-4510 |
| Police Department Main Number   | 706-4550 |
| Neighborhood Services Unit<br>Sgt. Charron<br>Ofc. Carmany<br>Ofc. Duke | 706-4550 |

Municipal Court 706-4530

Business License 706-4500

### **Town Ordinances**

#### Sec. 20-23 Types of Containers Required.

Mobile refuse containers, also called roll carts or mobile containers, of not more than 95 gallons capacity, shall be required for residential collection and at such commercial establishments as may be required by the Town. Such containers shall be so constructed that they can be emptied by lifting devices mounted on refuse collection trucks. All containers shall be subject to the approval of the Town Manager or his designee.

All users designated as roll cart users will be issued a receptacle. All commercial users deemed to require dumpsters will be responsible for the purchase of said user's dumpster. If replacement becomes necessary due to misuse, the receptacle shall be replaced at the customer's expense.

#### Sec. 20-31 Areas to be kept clean of litter

It shall be the responsibility of the user to keep the container storage areas and curbside pickup points free of litter. Containers shall not be filled to overflow capacity, to prevent the possibility of litter distribution when containers are emotied.



# Dumpster Management

**Preventing Storm Water Pollution** 

What is Dumpster

Management? Why is it Important to
the Bluffton Community?

The Bluffton Police Department is looking to enhance community awareness, protect the May River, and assist in eliminating Pollutants in the areas where we all work and live.

By partnering with local businesses and citizens of the community, we can keep Bluffton Beautiful.

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# Why is Dumpster Management Important?

Dumpsters that are not properly maintained can draw flies and unwanted animals, which can become a source of pollution. To keep rain from washing pollutants into our coves, ponds, and the beautiful May River, several dumpster usage practices and good housekeeping practices are recommended.

# What are the Dumpster Usage Practices?

- Make sure the dumpster area remains clean and free of debris.
- Keep all dumpsters and other containers securely closed.
- \* Keep dumpster enclosure locked to keep out illegal dumping and animals from scattering trash.
- Locate dumpsters and other trash receptacles away from STORM
   DRAINS.
- Clean up any spills with absorbent materials and dispose of the absorbent materials properly.

# What are the Dumpster Good Housekeeping Practices?

Good Housekeeping practices are aimed at reducing waste in the first place.

- Reduce waste: Look for ways to reduce waste before it is disposed.
- \* Identify whether or not the waste is hazardous and avoid hazardous products when you can.
- \* Reuse or recycle material whenever possible.
- Look to find vendors who recycle liquid wastes.
- \* Compost plant wastes.
- \* Make sure your leasing company maintains and cleans dumpsters regularly.
- \* Return leaking or damaged dumpsters for repair immediately.



# Lets Keep the May River from being *POLLUTED!*

Anything that enters our *STORM DRAINS*, including liquid and solid waste, flows untreated into our coves and then into the *MAY RIVER*.

By following these guidelines, your business can help prevent pollution and attract customers. A clean business contributes to a great customer experience. Your customers will appreciate your leadership that is protecting environmental health.

### **Cleaning & Disposal**

- \* Wash floor mats, filters, and trash cans in a janitorial sink, near a floor drain. Floor drains are designed to drain to the sanitary sewer, where waste is treated.
- Pour wash water into a janitorial sink and never pour it onto paved areas outside
- \* Recycle Grease & Oil.
- Sweep up food particles, cigarette butts and trash from outside areas.

## **Spill Prevention & Clean Up**

 Use dry methods for cleaning up outside spills (Example, Cat Litter).